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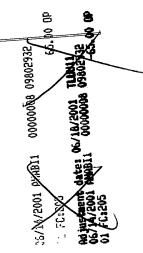
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In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b) - Filing Date Granted," for the above application, Applicant respectfully submits herewith the Declaration and verified English language translation for the above identified application properly executed by the inventors. Also enclosed please find an Information Disclosure Statement, Submission of Priority Document, Small Entity Declaration and an executed Assignment and PTO Form 1595.

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Checks for the statutory fee of \$65.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. Please also charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

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